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Retention of the Army Acquisition Workforce

Why you should stay in the Army Acquisition Workforce after you graduate from the Intern Program?



Key Reason to stay in the Army Acquisition Workforce

**Answer: Support to Our Warriors** 

- Career and Leadership Development
- Educational Opportunities
- Upward Mobility & Flexibility





#### **Upward Mobility & Flexibility**

#### Upward Mobility

- Aging Workforce
  - Average age of acquisition workforce is 48 years old
  - Average years of service is 20 years
  - 44% of the Acquisition workforce currently eligible to retire
  - 66% will be eligible to retire within the next five years

### Flexibility

- Broad acquisition experience leads to broad career opportunities
- Worldwide Contracting Commands





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